

Health News Release

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Boil-water advisory issued for system on Vashon Island after main break

OLYMPIA — The Heights Water Association on Vashon Island had a water main break today that caused a loss in pressure in part of its water system. About 400 customers on the system have been advised to boil their tap water before consuming it until further notice.

All of Heights' customers located south of Heights Water pumping station (near the John L Scott Office) and north of Cove Road are included in the advisory. The advisory is a precaution because contaminants could have entered the water lines when the system lost pressure.

The state Department of Health advises Heights Water Association residents in the affected area, to use boiled water or purchased bottled water for drinking, brushing teeth, dishwashing, preparing food, and making ice. Water should be boiled briskly for one minute and allowed to cool before use.

Customers with questions can call the water system at 206-463-0014. For a detailed map of the affected area visit our <u>Health Advisory page</u>.

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